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medical records that a party intends to rely upon shall be served on all other parties at least 30 days prior to the date set for a hearing. Except as waived by the Director, Office of Motor Carrier Standards, reports, test results and medical records not served under this rule shall be excluded from evidence at any hearing.

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#### § 386.49 Form of written evidence.

All written evidence shall be submitted in the following forms:

- (a) An affidavit of a person having personal knowledge of the facts alleged, or
- (b) Documentary evidence in the form of exhibits attached to an affidavit identifying the exhibit and giving its source.

### § 386.50 Appearances and rights of witnesses.

- (a) Any party to a proceeding may appear and be heard in person or by attorney. A regular employee of a party who appears on behalf of the party may be required by the administrative law judge to show his or her authority to so appear.
- (b) Any person submits data or evidence in a proceeding governed by this part may, upon timely request and payment of costs, procure a copy of any document submitted by him/her or of any transcript. Original documents, data or evidence may be retained upon permission of the administrative law judge or Associate Administrator upon substitution of copy therefor.

# § 386.51 Amendment and withdrawal of pleadings.

(a) Except in instances covered by other rules, anytime more than 15 days prior to the hearing, a party may amend his/her pleadings by serving the amended pleading on the Associate Administrator or the administrative law judge, if one has been appointed, and on all parties. Within 15 days prior to the hearing, an amendment shall be allowed only at the discretion of the Administrative law judge. When an amended pleading is filed, other parties may file a response and objection within 10 days.

(b) A party may withdraw his/her pleading only on approval of the administrative law judge or Associate Administrator

## § 386.52 Appeals from interlocutory rulings.

Rulings of the administrative law judge may not be appealed to the Associate Administrator prior to his/her consideration of the entire proceeding except under exceptional circumstances and with the consent of the administrative law judge. In deciding whether to allow appeals, the administrative law judge shall determine whether the appeal is necessary to prevent undue prejudice to a party or to prevent substantial detriment to the public interest.

### § 386.53 Subpoenas, witness fees.

- (a) Applications for the issuance of subpoenas must be submitted to the Associate Administrator, or in cases that have been called for a hearing, to the administrative law judge. The application must show the general relevance and reasonable scope of the evidence sought. Any person served with a subpoena may, within 7 days after service, file a motion to quash or modify. The motion must be filed with the official who approved the subpoena. The filing of a motion shall stay the effect of the subpoena until a decision is reached.
- (b) Witnesses shall be entitled to the same fees and mileage as are paid witnesses in the courts of the United States. The fees shall be paid by the party at whose instance the witness is subpoenaed or appears.
- (c) Paragraph (a) of this section shall not apply to the Administrator or employees of the FHWA or to the production of documents in their custody. Applications for the attendance of such persons or the production of such documents at a hearing shall be made to the Associate Administrator or administrative law judge, if one is appointed, and shall set forth the need for such evidence and its relevancy.